

REMARKS

Claims 30-37, 40 and 41 are currently pending in this application. By this amendment, Claims 38 and 39 have been canceled and Claim 40 has been amended to depend from Claim 30. In view of the amendments above and the remarks to follow, reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, Claims 39-41 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 38 and 39 have been incorporated into independent Claim 30 from which they depended. Accordingly, Applicants believe that amended Claim 30 is allowable. The remaining claims, i.e., Claims 31-37, 40 and 41 depend either directly or indirectly from Claim 30 and for the reasons discussed above with respect to Claim 30, inter alia, are also believed to be allowable.

Early and favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner feel that a telephone or personal interview may facilitate

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resolution of any remaining matters, he is respectfully requested to contact Applicant's attorney
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